(i) Shamshabad near Hyderabad, (ii) Devanhalli near Bangalore and (iii) Mopa in Goa.

Installation of collision warning system in passenger aircrafts

938. SHRI P. SOUNDARARAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to install collision warning system in all the passenger aircrafts of Indian Airlines and Air India to avoid mid-air collisions;

(b) if so, whether it will also be made mandatory for private airlines operating in India; and

(c) what is the estimated cost of each collision warning system?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) It has been mandatory w.e.f. 1st January, 1999 to install Airborne Collision Avoidance System (ACAS)-II in all aircraft having certified seating capacity of more than 30 or a payload capacity of more than 3 tonnes operating in Indian airspace. Aeroplane having certified seating capacity of 10 to 30 or payload capacity of 1 to 3 tonnes, have been required to install ACAS-I upto 31.12.2003.

(c) The cost of the system varies from aircraft to aircraft. The expenditure on the system is borne by the concerned airline/operator.

International flight service from Gaya airport

939. VEN'BLE DHAMMAVIRIYO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gaya Airport is ready for operation of international flights; and

(b) if so, by when Government will start the flight service from that?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Airports Authority of India has taken up the work for upgradation of Gaya airport to make it suitable for operation of AB-320 class of aircraft.